PATEL): (a) Against the target of coverage of 900 villages with safe drinking water facilities under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme in 1991-92 in Andhra Pradesh, the actual coverage was 914.

(b) The target for 1992-93 is to cover 400 villages under ARWSP.

Allocation of amount for updating Land Records in Andhra Pradesh

835. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the amount allocated to the State of Andhra Pradesh under the centrally sponsored scheme for strengthening of revenue machinery and updating of land record; and

(b) what is the budget allocation for the same during 1992-93?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) A Central assistance of Rs. 100.00 lakhs was released to the Government of Andhra Pradesh in the year 1989-90 under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Strengthening of Revenue Administration and Updating of Land Records. The allocation for this scheme in the current financial year is Rs. 19.99 crores for all States/Union Territories.

Pilot Projects in Andhra Pradesh

836. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) in which district of Andhra Pradesh pilot project has been taken up and how much amount has been released under the central scheme of computerisation of land records;

(b) what are the results thereof;

(c) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to extend this project to the other districts of Andhra Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) A pilot project on computerisation of land records of Ranga Reddy district has been sanctioned by Government of India with a central assistance of Rs. 25.00 lakhs. The work on this project is reported to be progressing satisfactorily.

(c) to (e) State Government has recently submitted a proposal to Government of India for undertaking computerisation of land records in three more districts viz.; Karimnagar, Cuddapah and Nellore.

Development of Rural Market in Andhra Pradesh

837. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of rural markets in Andhra Pradesh developed under the scheme 'Development of Rural Markets" and what was the central assistance provided to Andhra Pradesh under this scheme;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to discontinue the scheme in the Eighth Plan; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) An amount of Rs. 254.22 lakhs of Central Assistance has been granted to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for development of 140 Markets, of which 105 are rural markets.

(b) and (c) The scheme stands transferred to State Sector w.e.f. 1-4-1992 alongwith a large number of other Schemes as part of the general policy decision of the Government.

Schemes for rural development

838. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the outlay for Rural Development in the country has been revised substantially on the recommendations made by the NDC at its meeting held in May, 1992, if so, what are the final figures decided upon;

(b) what are the schemes which have been included in the basket of schemes for rural development;

(c) out of these which schemes are being taken up by States during the current financial year indicating the date of completion of each; and

(d) what is the time table for rest of the schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) As per the tentative allocation of funds made by Planning Commission, the outlay for rural development in the Eighth Plan has been fixed at Rs. 30,000/- crores as against Rs. 10,955.96 crores expenditure incurred on rural development programmes during the Seventh Plan. Thus, there is a substantial increase in the tentative outlay for Eighth Plan.

(b) No final decision has been taken about the basket of schemes proposed to be included as part of rural development programmes in the Eighth Plan and these are at formulation stage in consultation with State Governments.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Expanding employment generation programme

839. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
DR. ABRAR AHMED:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Department of Rural Development have formulated several new measures to substantially expand employment generation programme in view of the increased availability of funds for poverty alleviation in the Eighth Plan; and

(b) if so, what are the main scheme likely to be undertaken in various parts of the country and the number of persons likely to be benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) It is a fact that a tentative allocation of Rs. 30,000 crores has been made by the Planning Commission for the Ministry of Rural Development for the Eighth Plan. New Schemes and new measures are under discussion and final decisions are yet to be taken in this regard.

(b) In view of what is stated in (a) above, it is too early to indicate the number of persons likely to be benefited in the new schemes/measures to expand employment generation programmes in the Eighth Plan. However, the major poverty alleviation programmes of Integrated Rural Development Programme and Jawahar Rozgar Yojana will continue to be implemented as Centrally sponsored schemes in the Eighth Plan.

Installation of Public Tube-wells in Maharashtra

840. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to install public tube-wells in Maharashtra with World Bank assistance;